## SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

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Figure 4 illustrates a hip-joint embodiment of the invention, including an upper, waist-encircling band 402, evacuated a port 406, a lower band 404, evacuated through a port 408, and a hinge member 410, having an upper portion 412 adhered to the <u>band</u> sleeve 402 and a lower portion 414 adhered to the <u>lower band</u> sleeve 404. Again, though this is shown as hinged, a rigid member may be used for a more global restriction of motion, depending upon the application.

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Figure 6 illustrates a wrist brace embodiment, including a sleeve <u>602</u> [[402]], which may or may not be long enough to have one or more finger-receiving apertures, which is evacuatable through a port 603. Although a hinged brace member may be used, Figure 6 illustrates the use of a single rigid element 604, though additional elements may be used, depending upon the nature of the injury.